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SUBJECT: SOVIET DEMARCHE ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS
DEVELOPMENT BY SAG

REFS: (A) BONN 13059; (B) PRETORIA 4021; (C) STATE
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1. STATE SECRETARY VAN WELL HAS TOLD US THAT THE FRG
AMBASSADOR IN PRETORIA MADE A DEMARCHE TO THE SAG (VAN
DALSEN) ON AUGUST 10. ACCORDING TO VAN WELL, VAN
DALSEN'S REPLY TO THE FRG AMBASSADOR RAN GENERALLY ALONG
THE LINES REPORTED IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL B.

2. VAN WELL SUBSEQUENTLY INFORMED SOVIET AMBASSADOR
FALIN OF THE FRG DEMARCHE AND THE SOUTH AFRICAN
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REACTION. VAN WELL TOLD FALIN THAT THE FRG WOULD KEEP
IN TOUCH WITH THE SOUTH AFRICANS, THAT HIS PRESENT
REPLY WAS ONLY AN INTERIM REPLY AND THAT THE FRG WOULD
GIVE THE USSR A FORMAL REPLY IN DUE TIME. FALIN TOLD
VAN WELL THAT THE SOVIETS WISHED TO COOPERATE CLOSELY
WITH THE FRG IN THIS MATTER. HE REFERRED TO THE
LONDON SUPPLIERS AGREEMENT AND THE NECESSITY TO

MAINTAIN CREDIBILITY OF THE SUPPLIERS GROUP. VAN WELL
ALSO TOLD FALIN THAT THE FRG IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE
POSSIBILITY THAT THE SOVIET INITIATIVE IS BASED NOT
ONLY ON REAL CONCERN BUT ALSO ON PROPAGANDA PURPOSES.
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